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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

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For: DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM  
INCLUDING STORAGE SYSTEMS

Customer No.: 20350

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Examiner:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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February 28, 2005

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.